

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Stefan A. Sharpe et al. Group Art Unit: 1616
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450
Sir:

This preliminary amendment is being timely filed along with a Petition for an Extension of Time for two months together with authorization for the requisite fee. Should additional fees be due, please charge deposit account no. 19-0365.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.